

BEND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Draft Meeting Summary

February 3, 2016

DeArmond Room, Deschutes Services Center, 1300 NW Wall Street, Bend, Oregon

1. Call to Order – Introductions

Mr. Deke called the meeting of the BMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to order at 10:08 a.m. with a quorum of member jurisdictions (7 of 11) present. Those attending included:

TAC voting members

1. Bend Park and Recreation District (BPRD) Steve Jorgensen
2. Central Oregon Community College (COCC) Joe Viola
3. City of Bend, *Growth Management* Karen Swirsky
4. Commute Options Kim Curley
5. Deschutes County Peter Russell
6. Deschutes County Bike/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Rick Root
7. Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Amy Pfeiffer
8. Cascades East Transit (CET) *absent*
9. Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council (COIC) *absent*
10. Citizen-at-Large *absent*
11. Oregon Department of Land Conservation & Development (DLCD) *absent*

Ex officio members

1. Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) *Manager*, Tyler Deke
2. Bend-La Pine School District (BLSD) David Ocampo
3. Deschutes County Road Department *absent*
4. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) *absent*
5. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) *absent*

MPO Staff

Jovi Anderson, *Program Technician*
 Cameron Prow, TYPE-*Write II*

Visitors

Ashleigh Griffin, *Kittelson & Associates*
 Gary Vodden

(The 3-digit number after a motion title shows the number of member jurisdictions voting in favor/opposed/abstaining.)

ACTION ITEMS

2. Review and Approve TAC Meeting Summaries

Motion 1 (7/0/0): Mr. Russell moved to approve the TAC meeting summaries for August 5 and October 7, 2015, and January 6, 2016. Mr. Root seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

3. Bend Central Westside Plan Update

Document: PowerPoint presentation

Ms. Swirsky and Ms. Griffin reviewed draft transportation analysis results for the Central Westside Plan (CWP). Included in the summary were performance measures, traffic counts, count locations, relationship to other efforts, big picture findings, east/west connections, and strategies to address impacts of land use scenarios. Integrating model data from various sources has been challenged by different planning horizons. Traffic

conditions predicted for 2040 with the preferred land use scenario are similar to findings from the recently updated Bend MPO Transportation Plan. Improvements are focused on improving local connectivity for all users. CWP Phase 1, identifying needed capital improvements, is expected to be completed in April 2016. Phase 2 (implementation) will be dependent on financing.

TAC members clarified their understanding of the analysis results. Additional concerns included integrating BPRD bridge count data, reconciling CWP transportation planning assumptions with the new UGB (urban growth boundary), parking and driveway conflicts on Galveston Avenue, proactive communication to citizens about the continued existence of bike lanes along arterials, roundabout treatments at problem intersections, and potential for a transportation management association.

7. Bend Urban Growth Boundary Update

Document: PowerPoint presentation

Ms. Swirsky said a consensus proposal on where the City will expand had been developed and would be posted on the website by the end of today (February 3). Work on the integrated land use/transportation plan will begin following approval of the model by the UGB Steering Committee. The part of the CWP overlapping the opportunity area will go forward in conjunction with the UGB work. Next steps included making a presentation to City Council in early June 2016 and then to the (Oregon Land Conservation and Development) Commission. An open house for interagency (and public) review of the new scenario will be held on February 5, 2016. Questions on the new scenario should be directed to Ms. Swirsky, Damian Syrnyk, or Mr. Deke.

5. Deschutes River Trail Projects Update

Document: PowerPoint presentation and Deschutes River Trail Segments map

Mr. Jorgensen provided a status report on projects intended to enhance the Deschutes River Trail experience. His summary included routing, funding, and issues in process or still to be resolved (bridge locations, boulders, wetlands, utility connections, winter deer range, community river values). Some planned improvements will start in summer 2016.

TAC discussion covered the impact of the Wild and Scenic Waterway designation on BPRD plans and the impact of project delays on GO (general obligation) bond funds.

4. Annual Listing of Federally Funded Transportation Projects

Document: PowerPoint presentation

Ms. Anderson reviewed a spreadsheet of the proposed Annual Listing of Federally Funded Transportation Projects for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2015-2016. The total amount obligated for FFY 2015-2016 was \$9,502,149. These funds were allocated to the Bend MPO, 3%; ODOT, 13%; City of Bend, 31%; Cascades East Transit, 42%; and BPRD, 1%.

6. Bend Transportation Counting Program Update

Ms. Anderson reviewed the purpose of the counting program which is to collect data for the Bend MPO data warehouse. She discussed baseline data (bikers, pedestrians, vehicles) within the City of Bend, data types, mode splits, and proposed uses of the data. Integrating data from multiple jurisdictions is a significant challenge due to the variety of technology utilized to collect these numbers. Mr. Ocampo and Ms. Griffin have been serving as consultants to this process. She will provide more information in March 2016.

TAC concerns included signal video detection technology, bike count frequency, and counts on the state transportation system.

8. Other Business

Document: PowerPoint presentation

Mr. Deke said the Bend Parking Study would be done in three phases. Phase 1 (downtown) is starting now. A citywide policy review (Phase 2) regarding compliance with Oregon Transportation Planning Rule requirements is scheduled to start in spring 2016. Phase 3, studying 14th Street and Galveston Avenue, is expected to start in early 2017. Parking 101 workshops will be held on February 16 and 17, 2016, and will be open to the public. A website for this project is expected to be in place by the end of this week and will be updated as information becomes available

TAC concerns included when the size of MPOs might change. Mr. Deke responded that the Bend MPO is expected to stay “as is” for the next five years.

9. Roundtable – Member Updates

Bend-La Pine School District: Mr. Ocampo reported nothing new.

BPRD: Mr. Jorgensen reported nothing new.

CET: No report.

City of Bend: Ms. Swirsky reported nothing new.

COCC: Mr. Viola reported nothing new.

COIC: No report.

Commute Options: Ms. Curley announced a potential for dedicated funding of rural transit systems (Oregon House Bill 4078). She will report updates as they occur.

Deschutes County: Mr. Russell announced a second Tumalo sign was scheduled to be installed. The Powell Butte roundabout is scheduled for construction in 2017.

Deschutes County BPAC: Mr. Root reported nothing new.

DLCD: No report.

ODOT: Ms. Pfeiffer reported nothing new.

10. Next TAC Meeting

The next regular TAC meeting has not yet been scheduled.

11. Adjourn

There being no further business, Mr. Deke adjourned the meeting at 11:32 a.m.